

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. WA-II-1146

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Walnut Hill

## 2. Location

street &amp; number 8423 Routzahn Rd. not for publication

city, town Boonsboro ☒ vicinity of 6 congressional district

state MD county WA

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
			<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Lois S. Harrison

street &amp; number 12835 Fountain Head Rd. telephone no.:

city, town Hagerstown state and zip code MD 21742

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Washington Co. Court House Liber 756

street &amp; number West Washington St. Folio 887

city, town Hagerstown state MD 21740

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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Condition		Check one		Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed				

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

### Description:

#### Summary:

This mid 19<sup>th</sup> century frame house stands at the edge of the small village of Breathedsville. The two story structure is four bays wide by two bays deep, with two front doors in the center bays. Several additions extend to the rear of the house.

This mid 19<sup>th</sup> century house stands at the northeast edge of the small village of Breathedsville. The two story frame structure faces west. The building measures four bays long by two bays deep. Two doors topped by transoms and sheltered by a semicircular porch open into the central bays of the main façade. An interior chimney is located at either end of the house.

A two story kitchen extends to the rear of the house. Single story frame additions adjoin the south and east sides of the kitchen.

The main section features 2/2 sash windows. The building is covered with aluminum siding.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)	

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
 and/or  
 Applicable Exceptions: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

### Significance:

#### Summary:

This appears to be a mid 19<sup>th</sup> century frame house, larger than most in the area. It may have once been the central dwelling on a farm. The owner probably benefited from the convenience of the adjacent village, Breathedsville, and the railroad tracks.

Walnut Hill is larger than most 19<sup>th</sup> century frame houses in the area. It may have been the dwelling for a farm. Its location at the edge of Breathedsville and the railroad tracks may have contributed to the prosperity of the farm.

Further research is recommended to reveal the early history of Walnut Hill.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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See attached Continuation Sheet.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nomination property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name FunkstownQuadrangle scale 1:24,000UTM References DO NOT COMPLETE UTM REFERENCES

A 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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B 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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C 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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D 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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E 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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F 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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G 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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H 

Zone	Easting	Northing
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### Verbal boundary description and justification

See attached Continuation Sheet

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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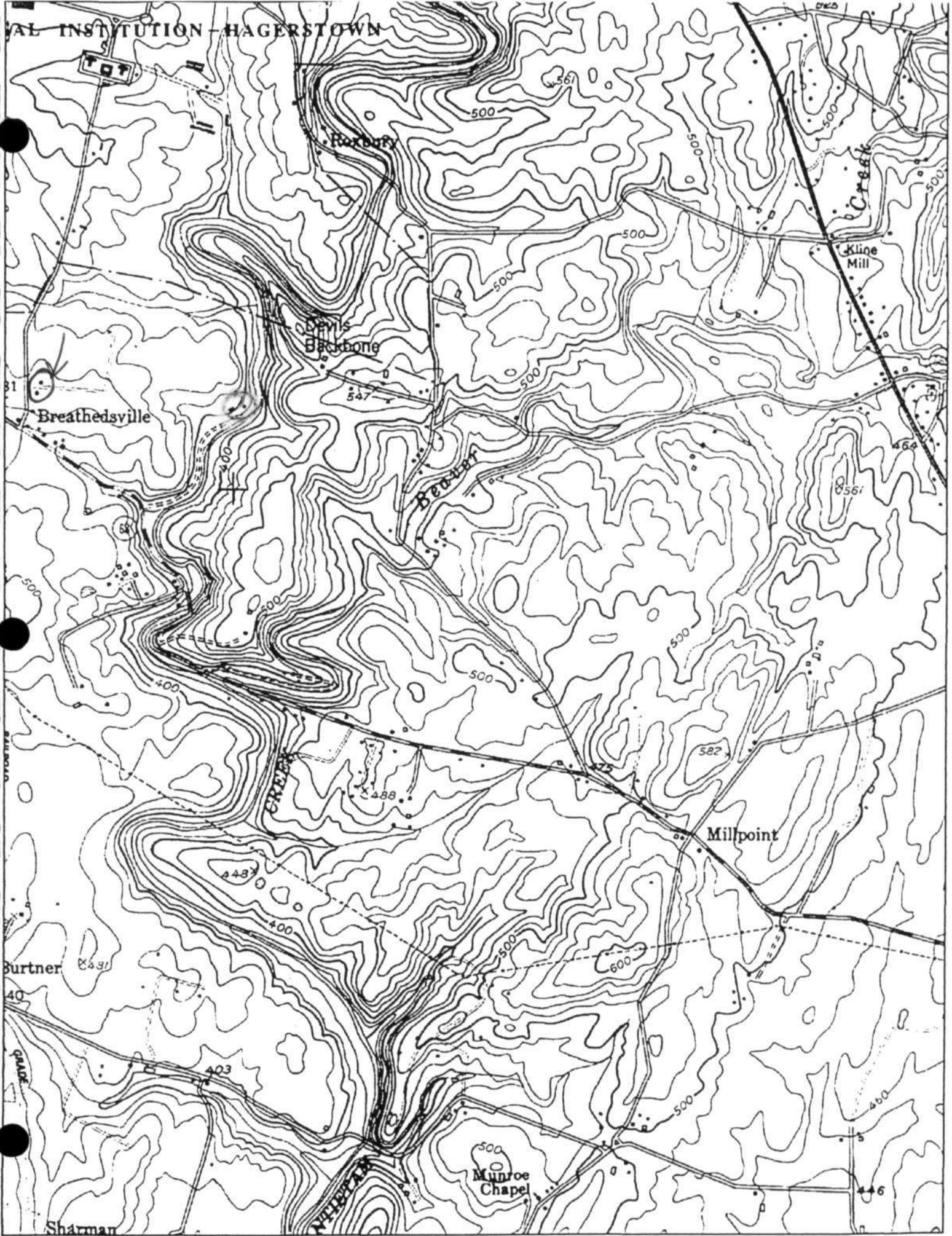
## 11. Form Prepared By

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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023  
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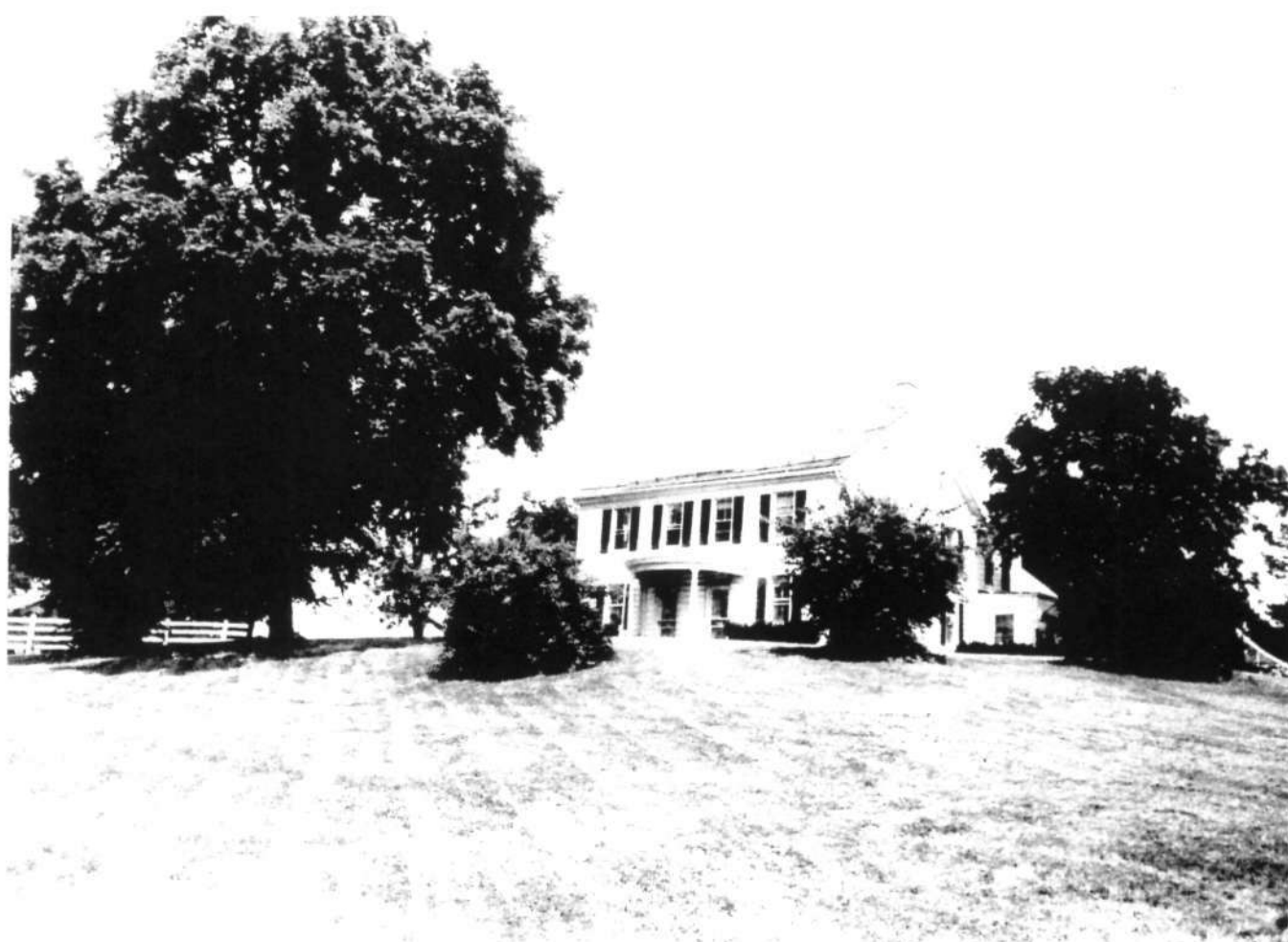


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View of 8423 Routzahn Road.